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Cc: Brad Goetsch; Jeff Fontaine
Subject: Copy of Email Read into Record - Hearing on 5/19/2010

Ms. Walser.

Per your request, I am forwarding a copy of the email provided to me by the Churchill County Manager Brad Goetsch from which I read an excerpt at the meeting held 5/19/2010 regarding amending a portion of NAC 701A.

"BJ,

I do not plan to attend. My position (the same one Norm and I shared with the Public Lands Committee) is that Churchill and NACO should oppose abatements until the State develops a comprehensive/sustainable tax strategy which includes sharing \$ from rents and royalties and sharing the burden of any abatements, vice the current corrupt method of taking from counties. Under current conditions local natural resources are given away; local environment, services and roads are impacted; and local school and county jobs/positions are cut or gapped in order to pay renewable companies incentives which they do not require and which enable them to hire and pay their workforce for 10-15 years with the \$ taken from unemployed school and county employees. You can put that in the record. Brad"

I also wish to express our concern regarding the the decision to proceed with the proposed adoption hearing on Friday May 21 after we were told that the hearing would be rescheduled for a later date and that a final draft would be made available for our review prior to that date. We continue to express our opposition along with the Nevada Association of Counties and the representative from Clark County. It should be noted that out of a total of four persons testifying, three were in opposition to the proposed amendment.

Local government has lost enough in the way of abatements, re-appropriation of shared resources and property and sales taxes. To be potentially placed in further jeopardy of losing additional revenues as a result of a discretionary decision by the Director of the State Office of Energy seems to be overreaching the intent of AB 621 adopted by the 2007 Legislature.

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